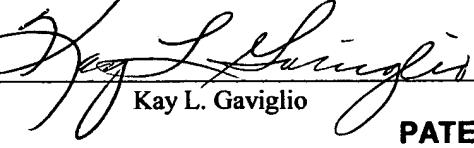




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In re Application of )  
David Estell & Fiona Harding ) Group Art Unit: 1644  
Serial No.: 09/060,872 ) Examiner: D. Saunders  
Filed: April 15, 1998 )  
For: Mutant Proteins Having Lower )  
Allergenic Response in Humans and )  
Methods for Constructing, Identifying )  
and Producing Such Proteins )

**AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.111**

Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated August 17, 2001, Applicants respectfully request reconsideration of the above-identified application and entry of the instant amendment. This response is considered timely and is being filed within one-month of the mailing date of the Office Action.

**In the Claims.**

Please cancel claim 13.

Please enter the clean copy of the following amended claim. A marked-up version is appended hereto along with a clean set of the pending claims.